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SUBJECT: NATOMIN COMMUNIQUE

1. WE ASSUME THAT INTERNATIONAL STAFF (IS) NOW IS IN PROCESS OF DEVELOPING FIRST DRAFT OF COMMUNIQUE FOR DECEMBER MINISTERIAL NAC. FOR YOUR GUIDANCE IN DISCUSSIONS WITH IS, WE ENVISAGE COMMUNIQUE WHICH, THOUGH BRIEF, WOULD HIGHLIGHT SEVERAL KEY AREAS:

--THE CRITICAL IMPACT UPON THE ALLIES AND THE ALLIANCE OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION AND ENERGY CRISIS, AND THE DETERMINATION OF ALLIES TO MEET THE CRISIS BY JOINT ACTION TAKEN IN THE CONTEXT OF A RECOGNITION OF GLOBAL INTERDEPENDENCE AND THE NEED TO PROMOTE CONDITIONS OF STABILITY AND WELL-BEING, AS PROVIDED IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY'S ARTICLE 2.

--SATISFACTION OF ALLIES THUS FAR WITH PROCESS OF DETENTE, CITING MOST RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS IN SALT AND PROGRESS IN CSCE. EMPHASIS ALSO SHOULD BE GIVEN TO NEED FOR
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PROGRESS IN MBFR.

--ALLIED AWARENESS OF DANGERS LATENT IN MIDDLE EAST
SITUATION AND CONSEQUENT NEED TO PROMOTE PEACEFUL
SOLUTION.

--CONTINUING DETERMINATION OF ALLIES TO MAINTAIN
STOUT AND CREDIBLE DEFENSE, IN FACE OF ECONOMIC
STRINGENCIES, AS INDISPENSABLE PREREQUISITE FOR DETENTE.

2. WHILE COMMUNIQUE NEED NOT STRAIN FOR THE DRAMATIC,
WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT THAT IT LEAVE PUBLIC WITH
CONVICTION THAT ALLIES ARE DEALING CONFIDENTLY WITH
REAL PROBLEMS AND OPPORTUNITIES CONFRONTING THE WEST
AND ARE DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN THEIR SOLIDARITY IN
MEETING NEW CHALLENGES. IN THIS REGARD, WE BELIEVE
IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR MINISTERS TO AVOID COMMENT-
ING ON GREEK-TURKISH DIFFERENCES. COMMUNIQUE MIGHT
EXPRESS WISH FOR EARLY AND PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF DIF-
FERENCES, USING AS MODEL PARA 11 OF REYKJAVIK COMMUNIQUE.

3. COMMUNIQUE SHOULD CONTAIN APPROPRIATE REMARKS
ON CCMS. WE ASSUME THAT QUADRIPARTITE DINNER, AS
USUAL WILL PRODUCE PARA ON BERLIN AND GERMANY.

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